

## REMARKS

In response to the above-noted Office Action, Applicant has amended Claim 1 responsive to informalities as noted by the Examiner. It is submitted that the amendments made to Claim 1 are fully responsive in order to clarify the unclear text.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that all outstanding requirements have been complied with and the claims pending for examination, namely claims 1 – 6 are now in condition for allowance.

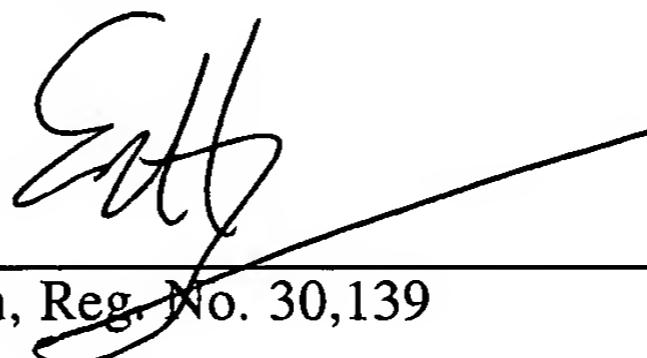
## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Per 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and in connection with the Office Action mailed on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2004, Applicant respectfully petitions Commissioner for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the period for response to WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2004. Attached is a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the petition filing fee for a 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) large entity. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (310) 207-3800.

Respectfully submitted,

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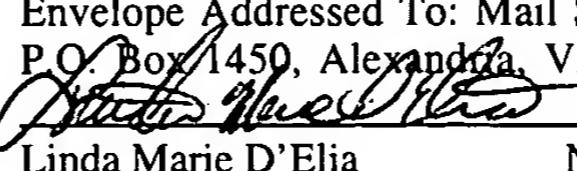
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